

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COLUMBIA DIVISION**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	)	<b>CR. NO.: 3:17-640-MGL</b>
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-v-	)	
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<b>JAMES DENNIS SMITH, JR., et al</b>	)	<b>REQUEST FOR PROTECTION FROM COURT APPEARANCES</b>

Special Assistant United States Attorney Sandra Strippoli, counsel for the Government, respectfully requests protection from court appearances on the dates below due to planned personal travel:

January 22-25, 2019,

February 11-15, 2019, and

May 28-31, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

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